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On the 18th February, at the Peak Church,
Hongkong, by the Rev. F. T. JOHNSON, M.A.,
Major ALBERT W. BEWLEY, R.A., to JEAN KNOX,
younger daughter of JAMES WOODS, New York,
U.S.A. [502]

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VUE ROAD (L).
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 20th February, 1903.

It is now about ten weeks ago since we wrote concerning the practically hopeless state of the China tea-trade, lamenting that a great opportunity for bringing about a return to popular favour of China teas seems now to have been entirely lost. As far as British taste is concerned, the southern teas, at once cheaper and coarser, have established a firm hold; and it seems as if the rest of the world is about to follow Britain's example. We have during the past year received numerous communications from Mr. E. J. Moss of Foochow, with reference to an attempt to restore the position of China teas, but as most of these have concerned the tea-dealers almost exclusively we have not hitherto alluded to them. There are, however, a grant many people, apart from these actually engaged in the tea-trade, who would much regret to see the extinction of China teas as a commodity in the world's market, and we think therefore that it will not be inappropriate to give a little space in these columns to some of the points brought out in Mr. Moss's latest circular. This gentleman some time back proposed a scheme for advertising China tea more extensively than hitherto, which though generally supported at Foochow failed to secure the backing hoped for further north. With the details of the scheme we have no concern here. The most

interesting point is the extent to which advertising has helped to increase the figures of the teas which compete with those of China. According to Mr. Moss's figures, the exports of Indian tea in 1896-7 amounted to 145,671,967 lbs. and in 1900-1 to 183,302,626 lbs. In the former of these years the exports of tea from Hankow, Shanghai, Foochow, and Canton amounted to 38,198,939 lbs.; in the latter, to 25,034,775 lbs., while in 1902-3 not quite complete figures showed an export of 19,016,429 lbs. only from the four China ports. But the Ceylon figures are even more startling in comparison with those of China. In 1887 Ceylon only exported 13,800,545 lbs. of tea. Mounting rapidly, the figures reached in 1896, 108,141,412 lbs., and in 1901 no less than 145,188,244 lbs., not to mention another 1,110,744 lbs. of green tea. Now, of course, there are other factors beside advertising which have contributed to bring this result about. But who can doubt that the very vigorous pushing of the southern teas has produced a great effect? One striking advertisement has lately been circulated freely in Germany calling attention to the "disgusting," "filthy," "primitive," "antiquated" way in which tea is prepared in China, in contrast to the clean and modern methods of Ceylon. The advertisement says:—"We in Germany drink hardly anything but China tea owing to old custom, but people would not stick to it obstinately if they had any idea of the improper manner in which the leaves are prepared by the Chinese, who as everybody knows have no idea of cleanliness." Can it be imagined that such statements have no effect in a country which has hitherto supported China teas? It hardly looks possible for the apparently dying China tea-trade to fight with success against the wealth and competition of its rivals. Yet those who prefer the more refined flavour and healthier qualities of good China tea cannot but view with regret the absolute victory of the southern article.

The German mail of the 21st ult. was delivered in London on the 18th inst.

Members of the Hongkong Rifle Association are requested to note the alteration in the time of the annual general meeting to be held to-day in the Hongkong Hotel, viz., 5.30 p.m.

Yesterday the German cruiser *Geier* arrived from Singapore, the Japanese cruiser *Naruna* from Amoy, and the British cruiser *Talbot* from Manila. H.M. surveying-ship *Rambler* left for a cruise.

While the Brough Company was playing *Are you a Mason?* at Singapore on the 9th inst., an extra laugh was furnished when the new "daughter" threw herself into *Amos Bloodgood's* arms, to find the sofa collapse beneath them.

Mr. Alberto Rivera is resigning his post here as Consul for Chile, and before leaving the Colony he desires to place on record his indebtedness to those who in various ways have facilitated his discharge of the duties connected with the office.

By kind permission of Major Radcliff and Officers of the band of the 33rd Burma Infantry will play to-day, at the King Edward Hotel, the following programme during dinner, from 7.30 to 9 p.m.:

March....."Marmion".....Atherley
Overture....."Die Falsche Mühle".....Reiseger
Selection....."Reminiscences of the Plantation,"
Glee....."The Ballad of the Weaver".....Chubb
Selection....."The Shop Girl".....Horton
Waltz....."Ver Lijstent".....Wotton
Extra.
Gavotte....."The First Kiss".....Schubert

With reference to the Corea affair, the *Japan Daily Mail* of the 10th inst. writes:—"The impetuous section of the Tokyo Press publishes various rumours. By these writers the Japanese Government is represented as having preferred demands which savour of the romantic. We do not reproduce our contemporaries' tales because we place no manner of faith in them. The Foreign Office in Tokyo will doubtless insist in the most unequivocal manner that Corea withdraw from her stupid and ill-considered position, but it will be time enough to frame menaces and formulate special demands should the Seoul Government prove obstinate. Even Li Yung-ik, who must be a singularly short-sighted politician, will hardly have the temerity to stand to his guns under the circumstances, and we therefore anticipate a speedy and simple solution of the difficulty.

Now that many in Hongkong are studying the currency question, it will be of some interest to mention a pamphlet on this subject, published in Shanghai in 1897—"The Silver Question in China and the Fluctuations of Prices." It was compiled by Mr. Volpielli, then Hon. Librarian of the China Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society, on the data given in answer to questions addressed by the Society to residents in different parts of the interior of China. Over 5,000 prices, distributed over 10 years and in 10 different provinces, were first tabulated as index numbers (according to Sauerbeck's system) and then served to form diagrams with coloured lines for commodities, silver and gold—the monetary standard of course being mostly cash. These laborious results were prefaced by a brief but clear account of the history of the currency question. Messrs Kelly & Walsh have a few copies left.

Laddons are reported active again in Leyte, P.I.

The Janet Waldorf Dramatic Company was due to play in Tokyo for three days, beginning on the 18th inst.

A chance now offers for pigeon fanciers to add to their collections. Police-Sergeant Mac-Swayed, whose birds won all the prizes at the recent show in the Kowloon Hotel, desires to sell his pigeons, and awaits offers.

A meeting of those interested in polo in Bangkok was held at the British Legation there on the 5th inst. It was decided to form a club to be called the Bangkok Polo Club and to get 16 China ponies from Hongkong. All of these are already bespoken. The following were elected the committee of the new Club:—Mr. Paget (president), Mr. Gibbins, W. A. G. Tilke, and Mr. H. A. Macintyre (hon. sec.)

H.M. torpedo-boat destroyers *Virago* and *Sparrowhawk*, now on the Pacific Station, are to come to the China Station shortly. H.M.S. *Amphion* conveying them to Honolulu and one of the cruisers now out here from Honolulu to Manila. The *Virago* and *Sparrowhawk* were both built at Birkenhead in 1896 and are of 300 tons displacement, 6,000 i.h.p., and 30.13 knots an hour speed. They carry one 12 pr. and five 6 pr. guns and two torpedo-tubes.

A highly successful and interesting ceremony took place to-day, says the *Bangkok Times* of the 5th inst., when the new Mint, which has been erected at considerable expense and fully equipped with the most modern machinery, was opened by the Minister of Finance, U.R.H. Prince Mahisara, in presence of a large gathering of officials and others. Yesterday the religious rites were carried out by ten priests. Prince Mahisara was conducted to the engine-room, where he started the largest engine, and this set the machinery in motion. The Mint was afterwards set to work, and is now in active operation.

The *Manila Cablenews* says:—"If Congress fails to pass a stable currency bill for the Philippines, Mexican currency will receive a strong stimulus and may soar to old time prices. This is the dictum of a prominent banker, who believes that currency legislation is doomed for this session. It is intimated that the influence is being felt already and there is no doubt that the adjournment of Congress without having passed the bill will tend largely to revive the metal after its strenuous experience in the Straits Settlements, Mexico, and other places. In this connection, it is learned, that officials of the government are beginning to be alarmed for the safety of currency legislation and are rapidly abandoning hope for its passage. So the sound advice to those who are long on Mex. would seem to be that they wait a little while and profit by so doing.

The small British squadron which went south some weeks ago is now on its way back here from Manila. The departure from Singapore was made on the 25th ult., the next point touched at being Sarawak, where Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge went up river on the *Alacnty* to visit Rajah Brooke at Kuching. On the 30th ult. the squadron proceeded to Labuan, arriving on the 1st inst. The *Alacnty*, with the Admiral on board, left for Sandakan on the 5th and the *Glory* for Balabac Island on the 7th, picking up Admiral Bridge on the 10th and also the *Talbot* later in the day. On the 12th Manila was reached and a round of festivities began. Governor Taft dining with Admiral Bridge on the 14th and Major-General Davis hatching next day, the U.S.S. *Kentucky* entertaining the visitors on the 15th, and a ball, lawn-tennis match, Army and Navy Club reception, and dinner by Governor Taft completing the programme.

The following is a sample of police court reporting from a Manila paper:—"The notorious character known as 'Beno Liz' an old offender and one who has made frequent appearances before the police courts of this city was arrested last evening and lodged in the Santa Cruz station. The crime charged against her is one upon she has had several sessions with the judge before. She had played the races and after making a winning started in to fill up on bamboo juices and paint the district of Santa Cruz a crimson hue. After clearing the street she decided that the sun was dangerously hot, and used her skirts for a sun bonnet. She was parading in genuine Edgic fashion when she was apprehended by one of Manila's finest and after a short argument, she was persuaded to take up lodgings at the station for the night. Judge Liddell will be given an opportunity to wrestle with the case this morning and solve its intricacies."

With reference to the Delhi assault case, which we mentioned the other day, a telegram dated Allahabad, February 1st, says:—"Orders have been passed by Mr. Craik, Assistant Commissioner, Delhi, in the case in which a private of the Welsh Regiment was charged with having caused fatal injuries to a native police sergeant on the 9th January. The Magistrate disbelieved the statements of the police that death was due to a blow on the body from a stone, as the medical evidence was against such a view. He held, however, that there was an affray in consequence of a police raid on gambling places near the Ridge, and that deceased had probably struggled with the deceased in the excitement of the moment in order to avoid arrest. The cause of death was rupture of the spleen, which the post-mortem examination showed to be three and a half times its normal size. The accused, who was given an excellent character by the officers of his regiment, was sentenced to six weeks' simple imprisonment."

The Emperor of Japan has been pleased to confer on Mr. F. N. Dearing—for some months past Superintendent of the Great Northern Telegraph Co. at Nagasaki—the 11th Class of the Order of the Rising Sun, in recognition of services rendered during the Japan-China War and on subsequent occasions.

[The *Singapore Free Press* of the 10th inst. says:—"The Russian fleet bound eastward is not due here to-day, nor in the immediate future, nor perhaps at all, as it will call at Pulau Weh and not at Singapore. On very good authority it is reported that the fleet has been detained in the Mediterranean, in anticipation possibly of complications in Macedonia."

A despatch from Koolow reports that Viceroy Han Ying-kuei has been so successful in producing large quantities of superior smokeless powder that he has ordered the early construction of a gun-foundry in the vicinity of the powder-works. For this purpose fourteen artificers and artificers from the Foochow arsenal have been engaged, the whole to be placed under an European expert.

A destructive fire, supposed to have been the work of incendiaries, is reported from Calampit, Bulacan, P.I., on the 15th inst. 140 houses were destroyed and 700 Filipinos rendered homeless. A high wind fanned the flames and only the timely arrival of the 5th U.S. Infantry prevented them spending to Manila. Another conflagration occurred on the same day in the Tondo district, Manila, 30 houses being destroyed and about \$10,000 worth of damage done.

Seldom has legislation met more immediate success than the new Licensing act, says the London correspondent of the *New York Tribune*. For once the law would seem to have got even with the great army of toppers. Topped in their tenderest spot, these interesting individuals are forswearing drink with an alacrity which seems to show conclusively that there is, after all, some value in what was once contemptuously called by a great statesman "grandmotherly legislation."

It is stated that the company which is building a railroad between the towns of Guiginto and Cabanatuan in the Philippines has been offered the services of two thousand Japanese labourers. It is not stated how these labourers can be furnished unless some law is made that will allow them to be brought into the Philippine Islands. It will be remembered what a fight the jinrikisha company made to import ricksha coolies into the Philippines, without success.

THEATRE ROYAL.

The Brough Company gave their third performance of *Are you a Mason?* at the Theatre Royal last night to a well-filled house. The farce was, as on its two previous productions much appreciated by the audience and kept them in constant merriment right through the performance. All the parts were admirably sustained by the talented artists, who were repeatedly applauded. The fourth and last performance of this piece will be given this evening, when those who have not seen it will do well to avail themselves of the opportunity if they wish to have a few hours of pleasant amusement.

To-morrow night Mr. Brough will present Capt. Marshall's military comedy *The Second in Command*. Playgoers in touch with theatrical matters in London need not be reminded that the new work was an enormous success at the Haymarket Theatre, where, under the management of Messrs. Harrison and Mauds, it held the public for upwards of two years. Mr. Brough purchased the acting rights of the play for Australia and the East, and when doing so, gave an order to the eminent London costumiers, Messrs. L. & H. Nathan, who designed and executed everything for the Haymarket production, that uniforms and dresses were to be sent out exactly the same as for the London order—everything down to the minutest detail. So that to-morrow night Mr. Brough will present *The Second in Command* in a manner which was not eclipsed at home. Of the Australian performance the Press speak in the most glowing terms of Mr. Brough's production. *The Second in Command* will be played for three nights, and will then make way for *Lady Hyacinth's Experiment*, another merry farce, comedy by R. C. Carton, author of *Lord and Lady Algy* and a score of other familiar plays.

FOOTBALL.

Yesterday afternoon the Royal Engineers played "B" Co., Sherwood Foresters, in the second round of the Shield competition. The Foresters showed vastly improved form and after a game in which both sides got pretty hard knocks the Engineers retired defeated by three goals to none. The R.E. were outplayed at all points.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of India* arrived at Kobe at 8.30 p.m. on the 17th inst., and left again at noon on the 18th for Yokohama, where she was due to arrive at noon, yesterday. The P. & O. steamer *Mazagon* left Singapore for this port on the 19th inst., at 8 a.m. The C.M. steamer *Meyune*, from Seattle and Tacoma, left Moji at daylight yesterday for Hongkong direct. The C.N. steamer *Sungkiang* left Manila for this port on the 18th inst., at 6 p.m., and is expected here on the morning of the 21st inst.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

FAR EASTERN AFFAIRS.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, 18th February, 3.40 p.m.

ANOTHER RUSSIAN IRONCLAD.

COMING.

The *Novoe Vremya* says that if her trial trips prove satisfactory, the Russian iron-clad *Kuiaz Souvaroff* will sail for the Far East immediately.

The *Kuiaz Souvaroff* is a steel battleship of 13,600 tons displacement and 16,000 i.h.p. (Bellville boilers). She has just been completed at St. Petersburg. Her armour is:—B.R. 9-in. and gun position 5-in. (H.S.), deck plating, 4-in. She carries four 12-in., twelve 6-in. q.f., twenty 3-in., twenty 3pr. and six 1-pr. guns, and six torpedo-tubes (five submarine). Her speed is 18 knots.—*Ed. D.P.*

GENERAL NEWS.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, 15th February, 3.40 p.m.

THE WAR COMMISSION—

PREMIER'S SLIP.

General Buller's evidence before the War Commission raises an awkward question for Mr. Balfour, who in November, 1899, declared that the hostility of the Orange Free State had not been dreamt of; but it appears that its invasion had been decided upon earlier than this!

NAVAL NEWS—BERESFORD'S POST.

It is reported that Admiral Lord Charles Beresford has been appointed to the command of the Channel Squadron.

THE BALKANS.

The Vienna correspondent of the *Times* doubts whether the Austro-Russian scheme of reforms for Macedonia will check the insurrectionary movement.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 17th February.

GOLD IN THE NILE VALLEY.

Experts allege the existence of extensive gold reefs of remarkable richness in the Nile Valley. The shares of a Company formed to operate there which were recently £3.5s. are now quoted at £10.

THE PHILIPPINES CURRENCY BILL.

The Washington Senate has passed the Philippines Currency Bill with an amendment submitted by Mr. Patterson authorising President Roosevelt to invite the gold and silver standard countries to confer with the United States, with the object of establishing a relationship between the gold and silver countries.

LONDON, 17th February.

RE-ASSEMBLING OF PARLIAMENT.

Parliament has re-assembled. The King and Queen were present in the State procession from Buckingham Palace to Westminster. The weather was bright and cool.

The King's speech said that the progress of events in South Africa was satisfactory, and that Mr. Chamberlain's visit had already been productive of the happiest results. Replying to Sir Campbell Bannerman in the debate on the address, Mr. Balfour said that no dissent had been expressed with the British interpretation of the Sugar Convention.

THE KANO EXPEDITION.

A Blue-book relating to the Kano expedition shows that the Government had learned from Reuter's Agency that an expedition was organising. The Government then cabled asking Col. Lugard whether the news was true. Subsequently Lord Curzon wrote, regretting that the Government had not been kept better informed, but approving of Col. Lugard's action.

A good story regarding Mr. Waddy, who was not exactly a "sport," appears in the *Times*. Mr. Waddy was examining "Tom Emmett," a well-known Yorkshire professional and umpire, in a case at the Leeds Assizes about ten years ago. Emmett gave his answers *sotto voce*, and Mr. Waddy said, "Speak up, Emmett, in the tone in which you cry 'over' when a man is out." For this selection he was tried in solemn form by the Bar mess, and fined a dozen of champagne and a box of cigars.

HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Board was held yesterday afternoon in the Board Room. Present:—Dr. J. M. Atkinson, Principal Civil Medical Officer (president); Hon. Dr. F. W. Clark, Medical Officer of Health; Hon. W. Chatham, Director of Public Works; Col. Webb, B.A.M.C.; Mr. E. Osborne, Mr. C. McI. Messer, Acting Registrar-General; Mr. Fung Wa Chum; Mr. Lau Chu Pak; and Mr. G. A. Woodcock (secretary).

REPORTS.

The annual reports for 1902 of the Medical Officer of Health, the Sanitary Surveyor, and the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon were submitted and adopted.

MALARIA AT MORRISON HILL.

Mr. Ho Tung addressed a letter to the Board drawing attention to complaints by his tenants as to the prevalence of malarial fever of a malignant type in the neighbourhood of Morrison Hill Gap, Happy Valley. The letter, which asked that the necessary steps should be taken to rid the district of a danger threatening the public health, stated that Dr. Harston, who had drawn up a report on the subject at Mr. Ho Tung's request, was of opinion that the main contributing factors in rendering the houses in question unhealthy were a marsh at the rear of the Sikh temple and a nullah to the south of the building, the close proximity of such breeding-places leading to the presence of mosquitoes in considerable numbers.

The following minutes by members were attached to the papers:—
Mr. Lau Chu Pak:—"I submit that the Board should recommend to Government that every locality where malaria is prevalent should be attended to at once."
Mr. Fung Wa Chum:—"It is very important that all places where malaria exists should be properly attended to."

The President moved that the letter and a minute by the Medical Officer of Health be forwarded to the Government, with a recommendation advising the training of the bed of the nullah and the cutting down of the brush-wood in the vicinity.

Colonel Webb seconded.
Mr. Fung Wa Chum asked that the motion include the training of two streams in Richmond Road which he said were the cause of malarial fever in the neighbourhood.

This was agreed to, and the motion was adopted.

ERECTION OF A PUBLIC LATRINE.

A minute by the Hon. Dr. Clark recommended the erection of a public latrine at Tai Hang Village, Causeway Bay.

Hon. Dr. CLARK made the necessary motion which was seconded by the President and carried.

BRIDGES IN BACKYARDS OF HOUSES.

Further correspondence was submitted relative to the bridges in the backyards of three houses on Hinghem Inland Lots 195, 196, and 197. When the Board dealt with the matter at its last meeting, the fact was mentioned that in recommending exemption from providing the open spaces required by the Ordinance the Board stipulated that the bridges should be reduced to a width of two feet. Messrs. Leigh & Orange, civil engineers and architects, replied to this stipulation by stating that the width of the bridges had been reduced to three feet, and requesting that, as they were built of concrete and iron and could not be further reduced, permission be granted for this width instead of that of two feet laid down by the Board. The circumstances having been then explained by the Hon. Dr. Clark, it was decided that the architects should be asked to furnish an explanation as to why the conditions of exemption, from providing open spaces by reducing the bridges to a width of two feet had not been complied with. Messrs. Leigh & Orange now stated that the bridges had been built 3 feet 6 inches wide—the usual width, it was added parenthetically—by a mistake on the part of the contractor in no following the plan.

The President—I think this matter might be allowed to remain as it is; we cannot very well advise them to take down the bridges now. Hon. W. CHATHAM—I think they ought to be warned that if on a future occasion anything of this sort happens they will be required to take them down and reconstruct them according to the Board's requirements.

Mr. OSBORNE—I agree with the Director of Public Works. I think a letter ought to be written to the architects saying that when a Board makes a concession it is at least expected that the conditions laid down by the Board shall be observed by both contractor and architects, and that this case must not be considered a precedent for any future cases in this connection.

This was agreed to.

MORTALITY STATISTICS.

The mortality statistics of the Colony for the week ended 24th January showed the death-rate per 1,000 per annum to be 2.5 against 17.1 the prior week and 17.5 during the corresponding period last year.

PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY.

Reports by Mr. F. Browne of the analyses of the public water supplies for the month of January showed the water in all cases to be of excellent quality.

LINENWASHING RETURN.

Of 2,000 houses in the Eastern district, 1,341 of these tenement houses, a total of 613 were disinfected during the fortnight ended on the 14th inst.

RATS CAUGHT.

In the City of Victoria during the week ended on the 16th inst., 1,415 rats (135 infected) were caught, and in Kowloon 2,231 (16 infected) fell into the hands of the rat catchers.

CHOLERA AT MANILA.

The outbreak of cholera at Manila having ceased, the Hon. Dr. Clark in a minute recommended the advising of the Government to withdraw the proclamation declaring the port infected. The motion for advising the Government to withdraw the proclamation was made by the Hon. Dr. CLARK, seconded by Mr. OSBORNE, and carried unanimously. This was all the public business.

SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 19th February.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

THE DIOCESAN SCHOOL BURGALARY.

Wong Hing, Chan Hui Yau and Kim I were charged with burglariously entering the Diocesan Girls' School and assaulting the superintendent and one of the teachers on 2nd January; also with attempt to strangle.

They pleaded not guilty.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. W. A. Stopani, J. Lacey, A. E. de S. Alves, E. J. Raymond, W. O. C. Spalckover, A. Sheffield, and A. G. da Rocha.

The Attorney-General Sir Henry S. Berkeley conducted the prosecution (instructed by Mr. P. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor). In opening the case the Attorney-General said the offence charged against the prisoners was of a most serious description. They were charged with having in the dead of night entered the Diocesan Girls' School with intent to commit a burglary and with having, in order to effect their purpose, violently assaulted two or three of the ladies who were in charge of that institution. The School was presided over by Miss Skipton, assisted by Miss Hawker and others. At an early hour in the morning of the 2nd of January Miss Skipton was asleep in her bedroom on the first floor when she was awakened by feeling somebody clutching her throat. She attempted to scream for assistance but was unable to do so on account of the extreme pressure put upon her throat. While being thus assaulted she heard her teacher, Miss Hawker, calling for help. After a time the man who was holding Miss Skipton let go his hold of her throat. Thereupon she roused the school children, who ran for assistance. They went outside on to the verandah where Miss Hawker was. There was a man trying to come in over the balustrade but Miss Hawker pushed him back. At the same time that Miss Skipton was awakened, Miss Hawker was awakened by a light in her room. She called out and the light was extinguished. Then she heard Miss Skipton calling for assistance. She was proceeding to Miss Skipton's room when she met a man who seized her by the throat and threw her down. After a time he left. Meanwhile, one of the pupils, Hannah Moore, who had been awakened along with the others, came out on to the verandah and saw a Chinaman on his hands and knees between Miss Skipton's and Miss Hawker's rooms. The young lady seized him, punched him, got hold of his cue; but she was not strong enough, and he got away. She had enough contact with him, however, to say he had a thick coat and a cap on. One of the prisoners, the second, had been formerly employed at the School as a cook's mate and knew the premises. When the ladies went downstairs they found that a glass door in the dining-room had been broken, so as to make an aperture sufficiently large to permit of the entrance of the body of a man. A drawer in the dining-room table had been broken open and its contents were scattered about. There were marks of candle-grease and bloodstains about the place. On the verandah were found several pieces of tape and string. Now, as to the connection of the prisoners with the affair, about three o'clock on the morning in question a Chinese constable saw a man running from the direction of the School. He arrested the man and took him back to the School, where Miss Moore identified him by his clothes as the man with whom she had the rough-and-tumble. When arrested he had in his hands some tape and string precisely like that found on the verandah at the place where Miss Hawker was attacked. When taken to the police station and searched a packet of pepper was found in his possession; and it was a well-known fact that Chinese robbers were in the habit of using pepper to throw in the eyes of their victims. From information given by this man to the police the second and third prisoners were afterwards arrested.

Evidence was called.

The jury, after an absence of about 15 minutes, found all the prisoners guilty as libelled, the first and second unanimously and the third by a majority of six to one.

Two previous convictions were put in against the second prisoner.

His Lordship sentenced the first and third prisoners each to seven years' hard labour and to receive a whipping of 20 strokes with the birch within the first week, and the second to eight years' hard labour and also to receive 20 strokes with the birch.

ASSAULT AND ROBBERY.

Lui Kung Sang and Lo Li were charged with having committed assault and robbery at Shaikwan West on 18th January.

They pleaded not guilty.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. C. C. Corveth, A. M. Barradas, R. B. Cooper, A. S. Gomes, Jr., W. P. Widdup, A. Forbes, and J. Lysaght.

Evidence was led to the effect that the complainant, a Chinese woman, was asleep in her room at Shaikwan with her little son when three men entered. One of them held her by the throat, another gagged the boy, and the third took off the woman's jewelry. They then made off. Subsequently the complainant recognised the two prisoners in the market and gave them into custody.

The jury unanimously found the prisoners guilty as libelled.

His Lordship sentenced them each to four years' imprisonment with hard labour and to receive 20 strokes with the birch.

The Court adjourned till this forenoon at ten o'clock, when the Quarry Bay alleged murder case is down for trial.

Wednesday, 18th February.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR A. G. WISE (PUNISH JUDGE).

TYING SHOP V. LAUTS, WEGENER AND CO. The hearing was resumed of the case in which the Tying shop claimed from Messrs. Lauts, Wegener & Co. the sum of \$1,225, restricted to \$1,000, as damages for the non-delivery of 100 cases of beer, being part of 200 cases purchased by the plaintiffs from the defendants and paid for on 23rd June, 1902, the other portion of which, namely 100 cases, was taken delivery of by the plaintiffs on or about 30th June, 1902.

Mr. J. Hastings of Messrs. Deacon and Hastings, solicitors, appeared for the plaintiffs; and Mr. G. C. C. Master of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, solicitors, was for the defendants.

After hearing further argument, His Lordship gave judgment for the defendants with costs.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

NEWS VIA RANGOON.

THE BALKANS.

London, 20th January.

A French Yellow-book on Macedonia just published shows that M. Delaisé urged Russia to put forward a proposal of administrative reforms, at the same time telling the Turkish Ambassador there was just time to save Macedonia for Turkey. Turkey asked England to warn the agitators in Bulgaria. Lord Lansdowne in reply declared that Russia was the proper power to apply to in the circumstances, as force would probably be required.

THE NAVY.

London, 31st January.

It is understood that the Dominion Government will introduce a Bill establishing a Canadian Naval Reserve.

ENGLAND AND GERMANY.

London, 1st February.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain, speaking at Birmingham, said it would be idle to affect ignorance of the unpopularity of co-operation with Germany. The unfortunate utterances in recent years sunk deep into the minds and hearts of Englishmen. Our policy ought not to be governed by sentiment alone; nor because we have been deeply wounded should we allow ourselves to be blinded to facts of the present situation.

ALIEN IMMIGRATION.

London, 1st February.

The agitation in London for the exclusion of undesirable aliens is becoming exceedingly strong and many Peers and Commons, including several Liberals, are expressing approval of the movement.

THE PRISONERS' MURDER.

London, 1st February.

Gardiner, the Sunday School preacher, who was charged with the murder of a girl in Suffolk, has been released, the Crown having entered a *nolle prosequi*.

ARMY NEWS.

London, 2nd February.

An association has been formed to promote an official enquiry into the scarcity of food supply in the time of war. The Duke of Sutherland is the President and the Committee includes many Members of Parliament, forty Admirals, and representatives of the trades and employers' unions. An appeal has been published urging the Government to appoint a Royal Commission or Parliamentary Committee to investigate the matter.

OBITUARY.

London, 2nd February.

Sir George Stokes is dead.

THE MOROCCO CRISIS.

London, 2nd February.

The Times Madrid correspondent states that at the end of last summer M. Delaisé proposed to Lord Lansdowne that he should give France a free hand in dealing with Morocco territory along the coast line, France agreeing to recognise officially the British occupation of Egypt. Lord Lansdowne received the proposal unfavourably, but other pressing affairs caused the postponement of further discussion.

The Sultan's victory was due to the treachery of the Beni Warin rebels who renounced the Pretender on the eve of the fight. On the morning of the 29th January, according to a preconcerted plan, they attacked the rear of the Pretender's camp, the Sultan assailing the front. The rebels fought valiantly for three hours but eventually broke and fled. The rebellion seems to be collapsing.

SOUTH AFRICA.

London, 3rd February.

Lord Onslow speaking at Glasgow announced there will be a prompt settlement of the claims for goods supplied to the Army in South Africa. The claims will be examined by Civil Boards assisted by Military officials. A sum equal to the estimated amount of the claims will be handed to Lord Milner by the Military authorities and Lord Milner has consented that the revenues of the Transvaal shall bear any sum, it might be a million, paid in excess of that received from the Military.

THE MISSION TO PERSIA.

London, 2nd February.

The Shah was invested with the Order of the Garter at Teheran to-day with imposing ceremonies in the presence of the Persian princes and the British Legation staff. Lord Downe in his speech referred to the friendly relations of England and Persia and the King's deep interest in the welfare of the Persian monarch and people. The Shah in reply cordially asked after the King's health.

IRISH AFFAIRS.

London, 3rd February.

The Dublin Gazette revokes the section of the Coercion Act in various proclaimed districts dealing with the summary jurisdiction of magistrates.

CRICKET.

London, 1st February.

The Lancashire and Hampshire committees oppose the proposal to widen the wickets.

Allahabad, 3rd February.

The Oxford Athletics scored a very easy victory over an eleven of the United Provinces at Allahabad on Monday, winning by an innings and forty runs. Their next match will be against the Behar Wanderers at Muzaffarpore.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the thirty-fourth ordinary general meeting, to be held at the offices of the general managers, on Monday, the 2nd March, at noon.

The general managers and consulting committee have pleasure in submitting to the shareholders the thirty-fourth annual report of the Company.

1901 Account.—This account shows a profit of \$199,354.66, which sum, subject to the approval of the shareholders, it is proposed to deal with as follows, viz.:—
BONUS to contributing shareholders ... \$189,460.00
Addition to reserve fund ... 10,000.00
Dividend of \$22.25 per share ... 78,000.00

1902 Account.—The balance at credit of this account is \$299,991.15.

Mortgages.—From the reports and valuations made by the Company's surveyors, the general managers and consulting committee are satisfied that the properties held by the Company form ample security for the advances made.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.
Mr. H. P. White having resigned, Mr. J. H. Lewis was nominated for the vacant seat, and the appointment requires the confirmation of shareholders. The present members, the Hon. Sir C. P. Chang, C.M.G., Messrs. P. Matland, A. J. Raymond and J. H. Lewis, retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. W. Hutton Potts and K. Chatterton Wilcox, the latter having been appointed in place of Mr. Fullerton Henderson, who has left the Colony. The appointment requires the confirmation of shareholders, and the re-election of Messrs. Potts and Wilcox is recommended.

JAMES, MATTHEW & CO., General Managers, Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Hongkong, 18th February, 1903.

The accounts are as follows:—
BALANCE-SHEET, 31st December, 1902.

Dr. LIABILITIES. \$ c.
Capital subscribed ... 2,000,000.00
Amount paid up ... 400,000.00
Reserve fund ... 1,124,971.00
Uncollected dividends ... 11,708.23
Accounts payable ... 42,000.45
Working account, 1901 ... 129,315.46
Working account, 1902 ... 235,239.15
Amount brought forward from below ... 2,007,300.30

Cr. ASSETS. \$ c.
Cash, on current account with Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation ... 7,548.89
Cash in hands of general managers ... 75.54
Fixed deposits ... 25,000.00
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation ... 25,000.00
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China ... 50,000.00
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited ... 50,000.00
Mortgages ... 125,000.00
In Hongkong ... \$1,244,320.37
In Shanghai ... 355,220.12
In Yokohama ... 25,725.59
Investments ... 1,925,305.88

Chinese Imperial Government loan, 1886 ... \$31,500.00
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, debentures ... 60,000.00
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited, debentures ... 27,500.00
Shanghai Club debentures ... 19,333.33
Limited, debentures ... 50,000.00
5 shares in the China Fire Insurance Co., Limited ... 375.00

Steam fire engines ... 182,706.62
Accounts receivable ... 146,112.57

WORKING ACCOUNT, 1901.
To losses and claims paid ... \$1,087,300.30
To charges ... 36,772.24
To remuneration to consulting committee ... 4,750.00
To auditors ... 34,810.43
To commissions ... 248.64
To fire brigade expenses ... 214.00
To balance as above ... 199,354.66

By net premia received, less returns and reinsurance ... \$479,001.20
By interest ... 241,879.31
By exchange ... 1,500.80
By transfer fees ... 2,937.47
By balance as above ... 199,354.66

WORKING ACCOUNT, 1902.
To losses and claims paid ... 107,322.05
To charges ... 33,321.67
To commissions ... 44,836.05
To exchange ... 9,779.53
To fire brigade expenses ... 214.00
To balance as above ... 299,991.15

By net premia received, less returns and reinsurance ... \$496,892.45
By interest ... 364,101.77
By exchange ... 132,996.68
By transfer fees ... 91.00
By balance as above ... 496,892.45

INDIA AND LEPROSY.

Dr. Jonathan Hutchinson writes to the *Madras Mail* a brief statement of the opinions he is going to endeavour to explain and justify. They are as follows:

(1) That leprosy is caused by a bacillus which gains access to the body through the stomach, and not either by the breath or the skin.

(2) That there is great danger in eating food directly from the hands of a leper, but that the danger is rarely encountered excepting by young children.

(3) That in the great majority of cases in which grown-up persons become lepers the bacillus enters the stomach in connection with badly cured fish eaten in a state of partial decomposition and not sufficiently cooked.

(4) That the bacillus is not present in any other form of fish than that just referred to, which is indeed usually taken as a condiment (with rice, etc.), rather than as food.

(5) That it is but very seldom that the bacillus is present even in such fish, and that it is especially likely to be found in fish which has been imported from a distance.

(6) That a very small quantity of tainted fish may suffice to introduce the bacillus, and that a long period is necessary before its results will be observed.

(7) That it is from what has been just stated, not surprising that in India leprosy is often found in regions at a distance from seas or rivers, and where comparatively little fish is consumed.

(8) That in cases in which individual lepers state that they have never eaten fish the disease has either been acquired by communal communication from a leper, or the question has been misunderstood, or perhaps in a few instances that the reply is not a truthful one.

From these statements, it is abundant evidence will follow that it is very desirable in India to inspect and if possible control the methods employed in curing fish, and also to instruct the peasantry as to the danger which attends the eating of fish in a state of decomposition and uncooked.

THE ALASKAN BOUNDARY DISPUTE.

The New York Herald's Washington correspondent says:—

Secretary Hay to-day (26th ult.) removed a subject of diplomatic friction between the United States and Great Britain when he and Sir Michael Herbert, the British ambassador, signed a treaty to submit again the irritating Alaskan boundary question to a joint commission for adjustment. It may or may not relate to the Venezuelan game, but its negotiation at this particular time is regarded in some quarters as significant. The treaty provides that each government shall be represented in a joint commission by three commissioners. No provisions made for a new neutral umpire. This commission is to determine the interpretation to be placed on the treaty of 1825 between Great Britain and Russia, which defined the boundaries between British America and Alaska. The proposition is virtually the same as that brought forward by the American members of the joint high commission three years ago, but was rejected by the British and Canadian representatives. It has taken three years to obtain the consent of the British and Canadian governments to adjust the boundary dispute on this basis. It is understood that the treaty was drawn up, after several consultations with the treating members of the Senate of both political parties, the administration desiring to do everything possible in advance to secure its ratification. The commission will undoubtedly begin its work as soon as the treaty is ratified. The absence of the provisions for a referee, who would be affiliated with neither government is due to the strong prevailing sentiment in which the balance of power must be held by no one outside the United States. Thus the situation in the commission will be such that the United States cannot lose if all the members of the commission appointed by the President stand together. The hope of favourable results for the United States lies in the efforts of the United States commissioners to win over to their view one of the British commissioners. The Alaskan boundary dispute relates to the actual boundary between British Columbia and Alaska. There was no dispute between Alaska and Great Britain when Alaska was ceded to the United States. The British government never pressed its claim for the territory which lies within the boundary recognised by the United States until the discovery of gold in Klondike. Great Britain says that if her claims could be sustained she would gain sovereignty over the territory at the head of the Lynn canal, the two forks of which lead to the Chilkoot and Klagway passes in the Klondike. The dispute was referred in 1898 to the joint high commission, which disagreed after a session of several months in which time the matter of boundary has been compromised by the *modus vivendi* drawn by Secretary Hay and Lord Pauncefote which defined the point on the Lynn canal and other highways of travel in that region where American sovereignty for the time being ended and British control temporarily began. The *modus vivendi* will remain in effect until some decision is reached by the commission now provided for, or by some other means. The treaty will be sent to the Senate at once. Secretary Hay has conferred with the leaders of the Senate regarding it, and it is believed it will be acted on at once.

AMERICA CUP RACES.

It is a long time till the 20th of August, the date of the first race for the America Cup. Nevertheless speculation is already rife as to the outcome of what will probably be the last contest for many years for that much-coveted trophy. There is little likelihood of Sir Thomas Lipton trying again if he fails this time. He has engaged the two leading designers of Great Britain to work in collaboration. More money than ever is at their disposal, and it is expected the fastest thing that ever flew before the wind will be the result. Although the defending boat is the last series finished in the year in one of the races, and only won by reason of time allowance by an almost infinitesimal fraction, the Americans are quite confident as to the outcome. It is not the great J. Pierpont Morgan, the man who has never failed in anything, applying the construction company with the effort to produce something that will show her stern to both *Constitution* and *Columbia*, the two "tuning up" media which are to be pressed into service for purposes of comparison. For the first time in the history of the cup contests, there will be a consort to pit the challenger against to prove her mettle and train her down into the finest condition. The construction of the rival yachts is already well under way. They will be in the water in April, and their trials will begin early in May.

The interest in the great international event is not confined to the few who follow yacht racing as a pastime. All who speak or read the English language and a large part of the chief continental nations have been attracted by the spirit displayed by the rivals and will follow the reports of the prospects of the races until the grand final test is completed. Experts have expressed the opinion that the limit of speed was marked in the construction of *Columbia*, which proved a faster craft than the *Constitution*, although the latter, the design of both, estimated that her last production would be able to give her former one at least fifteen minutes in a thirty mile course. That fifteen minutes is a very long time. It has been demonstrated that it is possible for yacht builders to err in their calculations. It is claimed, of course, that *Constitution* had not a fair trial; that she would have come up to the expectations of her builders if she had been properly handled. All of which may be perfectly true. It may also be true that those who claim the limit has been reached are not very far from the mark. Heretofore the "fall down" on this interesting occasion, *Shamrock III* and *Thetis* may both be slower than their predecessors and the expectant public may be confronted with a doubly interesting situation. Or one designer may succeed and the other fail and the contest be deprived of all its former interest. The Americans have still the advantage of being "on the ground." The failure of Sir Thomas Lipton to "lift the cup" this time will surely convince British yachtmen that the handicap of sailing a more racing machine across the Atlantic on her own bottom to the New York trials is too great and there will be no more races for the America Cup for a long time unless the rules governing the contests be revised. These rules were originally designed for the purpose of making possession of the trophy secure. They have been revised and reduced to a more sportsmanlike basis, but they still impose conditions on challengers which are hard to overcome.

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Hongkong, 17th February, 1903.

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MANCHURIA.

The Shanghai native paper *Shen Bao* says that it is only recently that the Russian Minister at Peking drew up several proposals in regard to the co-operative administration of Manchuria by Russia and China and offered them to the Chinese Government for acceptance. The proposals are as follows:—

1.—Russia should be permitted to send 3,500 more troops to Manchuria and station them at short intervals along the Chinese Eastern Railway for the maintenance of order.

2.—A new college should be established in Harbin, in which both the Russian and the Chinese languages should be taught, and in which two Directors, one a Russian officer, and the other a Chinese, should be appointed.

3.—In Kirin, Harbin, and two other important places post offices should be established, and placed under the combined management of Chinese and Russian officers.

4.—Before the date arrives for the second batch of Russian troops to evacuate Manchuria in 1903, as stipulated in the Russo-Chinese Convention, a new Treaty should be entered into between Russia and China for the safe-guarding of the commercial interests of both countries in Manchuria, as well as for the protection of Russian residents there.

Judging by the above proposals, says the *Shen Bao*, Russia has no idea of ever withdrawing her troops from Manchuria and restoring that province to its rightful owner. If China accepts these proposals, she practically hands Manchuria over to Russia. And, as soon as Russia has succeeded in severing Manchuria, the ancestral home of the Ta-Tsing Dynasty, from the Chinese Empire, China will lose her foundation and her position will be as critical as that of a large number of eggs heaped up very high and in constant danger of falling down and breaking to pieces. If China wishes to avoid becoming a second Corea, she must not accept the Russian proposals, and should try to induce some of the more friendly Powers such as England, America, Japan, and Germany, to enter into an alliance with her for the purpose of checking the Russian absorption, which is progressing rapidly at her cost.

WARSHIP CONSTRUCTION IN 1902.

In its summary of the chief events of the year the *Times* devotes a good deal of attention to the Navy, and a study of the record of warship construction in 1902 is particularly satisfactory at a time when feverish activity marks the programme of the principal naval Powers. The block in the shipbuilding yards, both public and private, which played havoc with the schemes of the Admiralty, has now been removed, and we are assured that not only have the causes which made for retardation disappeared, but that the rate of construction is likely to be further accelerated by changes in administration. As rapidity of construction is essential to the efficiency of the Fleet and to the steady realisation of the plans for the maintenance of our sea supremacy, this is an important achievement, especially as in the past the completion of the first vessels of the *Majestic* class, the battleships, one armoured cruiser, and two protected cruisers, of a total displacement of 51,560 tons from the public yards, and our armoured cruisers of an aggregate displacement of 39,200 tons from the private yards, besides torpedo craft and submarines. This compares unfavourably with the previous year, but that was a period of exceptional stress, when a large number of vessels took the water owing to previous delays. The amount of work in hand is large, comprising five battleships, nine armoured cruisers, four third class cruisers, four scouts, seventeen destroyers, four torpedo boats and six submarines. Six battleships of the *Duncan* class and thirteen armoured cruisers are complete, and will soon be ready for service, and the reinforcement of armoured cruisers will strengthen one of the weakest branches of the navy. The vessels actually completed and commissioned comprised four battleships, six armoured cruisers and the *Spartiate*, the last of the first-class protected cruisers. One of the battleships commissioned was the *Tiger*, one of the 1896-97 programme—an illustration of the delay caused by the engineers' strike and the chaotic reorganisation of the yards, which has now been remedied.

So far as the mere volume of tonnage is concerned there is no cause to be dissatisfied with the achievements of the year; but there is even greater reason to congratulate the Admiralty upon the design of the most recent ships. The lines upon which the two cruisers of the *Duke of Edinburgh* class have been laid down mark a complete departure from an unfortunate tradition of Whitehall. We have already described these two remarkable vessels in detail; in the area and thickness of their armour plating and in armament they are incomparably superior to any cruisers in the British Navy. They may be termed the first fruits of Mr. Philip Watts's work as Chief Constructor. His distinguished predecessor systematically undergirded his cruisers and was slow to appreciate the lesson taught by the French when they built the *Duguay de Laune*. His great authority at Whitehall was allowed to outweigh the opinions of executive officers, and commencing with the *Powerful* and the *Terrible* we have been saddled with a long list of protected cruisers inferior in fighting value to contemporary foreign ships. Mr. Watts has soon made his influence felt, and when he comes to design battleships "off his own bat," executive officers will have no cause to complain of inadequate protection or lack of gun power. Two novelties in the navy have yet to prove their practical value—the combination of water tube and cylindrical boilers in the newest ships and the scouts, though the latter, with their high speed, can hardly fail to prove invaluable "eyes" to any fleet. The Admiralty have maintained a discreet silence regarding the experiments with the submarines built by Messrs. Vickers, Sons and Maxim, and the latest developments of the turbine principle have been disappointing. The *Veloce* has a combination of turbine engines with those of the reciprocating type, but her maximum speed was only 33.6 knots, as compared with the *Viper*'s 37 and the *Cobolt*'s 35.6. Turbine engines are being fitted to the cruiser *Anchelyte* and the destroyer *Eden*; they possess such marked advantages for naval purposes that we are certain to see their wider adoption for small vessels of high speed.

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Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [591]

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Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [586]

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E. A. HEWETT,
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Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [1]

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

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M. S. NORTHCOTE,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [110]

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Hongkong, 8th February, 1903. [552]

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Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [575]

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NOTICES OF FIRMS

NOTICE

MR. W. F. CARY'S connection with the CHINA MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, CEASES from this date.

LEFFERTS KNOX, District Manager, Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [570]

NOTICE

MR. MORRIS J. ISAAC has this day been appointed Manager for Canton of the CHINA MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

LEFFERTS KNOX, District Manager, Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [571]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the OFFICES of the Company, Queen's Buildings, New Praya, on MONDAY, the 23rd FEBRUARY, 1903, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 23rd FEBRUARY, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, GEO. A. CALDWELL, Acting Secretary, Hongkong, 3rd February, 1903. [420]

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, Limited, will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES in Bank Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 24th FEBRUARY, 1903, at 11 o'clock A.M., when the subjoined Resolution, which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 7th February, 1903, will be submitted for confirmation as a special resolution.

That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following:—

- In Article (79) the word "nine" shall be substituted for the word "seven."
- In Article (83) the words "nine thousand" shall be substituted for the words "seven thousand."

By Order of the Board of Directors, T. ARNOLD, Secretary, Hongkong, 7th February, 1903. [474]

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, Pedder's Street, on MONDAY, the 2nd day of MARCH, 1903, at 12 o'clock Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1902, and the Report of the General Managers and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th February to the 2nd March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers, Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd, Hongkong, 9th February, 1903. [476]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 5th March, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th instant to the 5th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order, GEO. L. TOMLIN, Secretary, Hongkong, 6th February, 1903. [444]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half-year ending 31st December, 1902, at the rate of One Pound and Ten Shillings, together with a Bonus of Ten Shillings Sterling per share of \$125, is PAYABLE on and after MONDAY, the 16th day of FEBRUARY current, at the Office of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager, Hongkong 14th February, 1903. [578]

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE

THE CERTIFICATE of 8 SHARES numbered 5882/5889, standing in the Register of this Company in the name of Late E. EBBALIM, having been LOST, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Duplicate Certificate for the said 8 Shares will be issued one month hence and that the Original Certificate unless produced within that period will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers, Hongkong, 2nd February, 1903. [425]

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CHESS NOTES.

By X.Y.Z.

Though certain of the competitors in the local Chess Club's handicap tournament have made a good start with their games, a number have still to make a beginning. It is to be feared that this augurs rather a protracted contest.

The Monte Carlo tournament was to begin on the 6th inst. with the following entries:—Lasker, Tarasch, Pillsbury, Moroze, Schlechter, Burn, Teichmann, Moroe, Miess, Taub-n-haus, Tschigorin, Schiffers, Delmar, and Col. Morian, a Parisian amateur. The list is exceptionally strong and only requires the addition of Jacobowski (distinctly persona non grata at Monte Carlo, as we explained lately), Atkins, and Wolf and the omission of perhaps four of the included players to make it a representative gathering of first-class Chess Masters. But the presence of Lasker in opposition to the other cranks by itself would compensate for the absence of the three brilliant players missing. It is long now since Lasker has entered for an international tourney. He has been resting on his laurels and paying attention also to other subjects than chess.

The following description of Dr. Lasker engaged in blindfold chess is from a San Francisco paper:—The Doctor's position in playing these blindfold games was rather peculiar. He has a slight, short figure, not more than 5 feet 6 inches, nor exceeding 140 pounds. His head is round and firm. His forehead is square and white, crowned with masses of the heaviest black hair. His face is pallid, like one who had no blood, nor exercise. This slight, frail figure, clothed in conventional evening dress, curled himself up like a snake in a large armchair, and with his head in his hand and his eyes closed, like one in abstraction or sleep, listened to the moves of the contestants announced and returned his replies almost instantly. If his opponents had moved as quickly as he did the five games would not have taken more than an hour.

Players not very far advanced in the game are frequently exhorted to "learn one or two openings and stick to them," but this advice may not unnaturally leave them a little puzzled. Suppose the comparative tyro to commence, for instance, by learning one of the 1 P-K 4, P-K 4 openings and to find himself faced by 1 P-Q B 4; or suppose him to learn the French Defence and to have to proceed against 1 P-Q 4. It is obvious he must know more than "one or two," if he wishes to get on. Nevertheless the commonplace advice is good in so far as it recommends the learning of a few debuts well rather than the acquiring of a smattering of many. In any case the man who sits down to obtain a little knowledge of how to open the game at chess undertakes an extremely heavy task.

Talking of openings, in a recent article in the *World* on the fascinating game of billiards we read that "before you can become the slave of chess you must get some insight into the game, understand something about the openings, perhaps, and be able to guard against the fool's mate." Personally we have always looked on "fool's mate" as one of the fictions of chess. It is really very hard to fall into it unless you remember how, and why nearly every beginner is shown how to do so we do not know. The same remark applies to "scholar's mate"—a more intricate absurdity.

Games at the odds of pawn and more are not perhaps what one would naturally look to for examples of pretty play. The following, however, which occurred at Vienna not long ago and the score of which we find in *The Day*, is a decided exception:—

(REMOVE BLACK'S KING.)
White. Black.
N. U. C. White. Black.
1 P-K 4 K-K 3 11 K-Kt P-K 3
2 P-K B 4 K-Q 3 12 P-P B-B 4
3 Q-B 5ch P-K 3 13 P-Q Kt 3 K-R 4
4 Q-Q P Q-Q 14 K-K 4 Kt-K 5
5 P-Q 3 K-Q 5 (f) 15 R-K 5 R-P (ch)
6 B-Q 3 K-B 4 16 B-K 5 B-Q 5
7 Bt-B Pt-B 17 K-Q 5 (f) R-K B P!!
8 K-Q 5ch Cnd 18 P-Q 4 (g) R-P (ch) (h)
9 P-B 4 (g) K-Kt-B 3 And White resigned.
10 Kt-K 2 Kt-Kt

(a) P-Q 4 is the better move. The text move merely hampers the action of his Q B.

(b) One of the tricks of the Pawn and move game; Black may sacrifice a second Pawn with impunity.

(c) Swallow the bait. He had far better play 3, P-K 5.

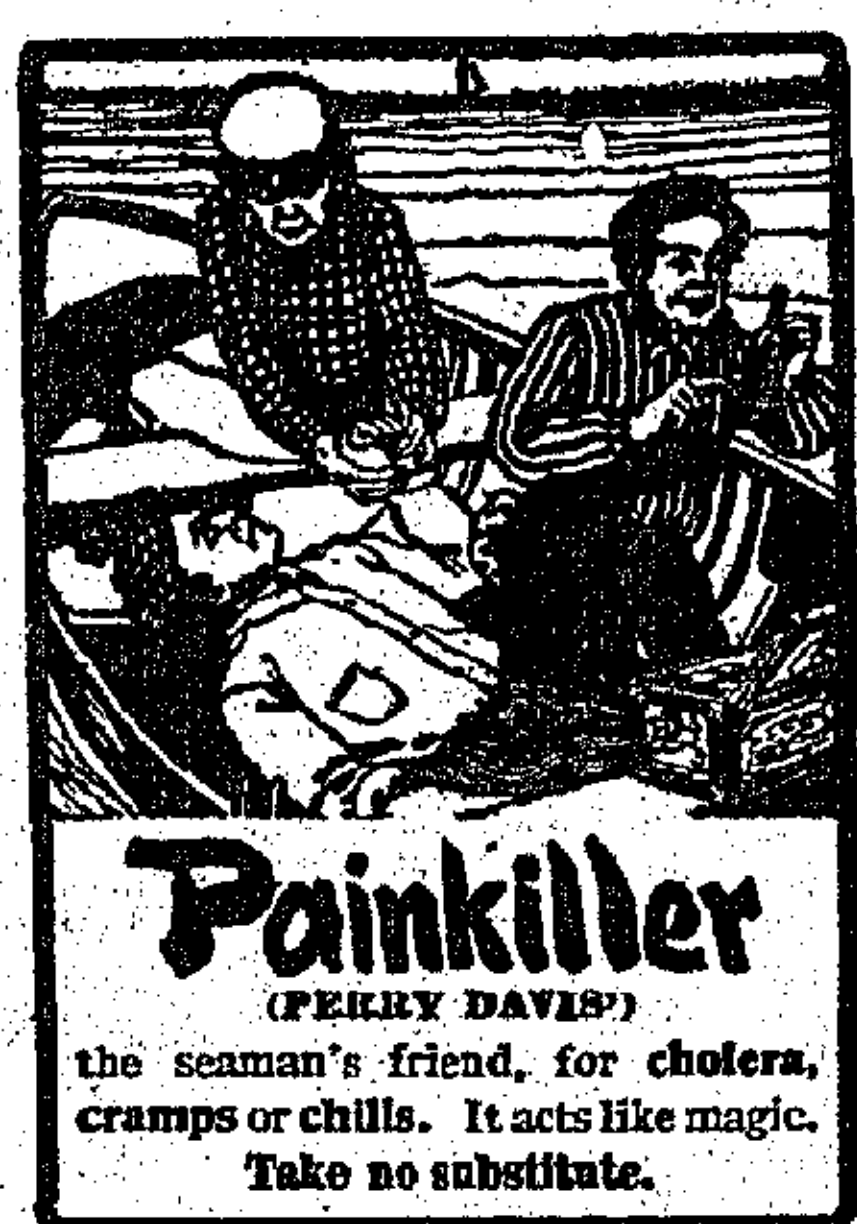
(d) Kt-K 5 wins back the Pawn, but the text move is, apparently, stronger.

(e) 9, P-B 3, Kt-K 4; 10, P-Q R 4, &c., is the right play for White.

(f) If P-K 3 Black wins by R-K 5 (ch), &c.

(g) For, if Bt-R, then Kt-B 7 (ch)!

(h) A remarkably pretty finish. If 19, Bt-R, Rt-R (ch); 20, Kt-R, Bt-B, winning the remaining Rook, with a clear piece to the good.



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Two coats of hot oil, carefully applied after thorough cleaning of the metal, are recommended by a Canadian artisan as an improvement over any process now in use for preventing rust of structural iron and steel. The oil would fill crevices, cracks and holes where paint cannot enter. It would cover rough places often imperfectly coated in ordinary painting, and it would be a fine preparation for subsequent painting or covering with cement coating.

Arsenic, the dreaded poison that Prof. Armand Gautier of Paris asserts is essential to life, proves to be disseminated in the primitive rocks, from which sea-water derives its store. The minute quantity taken in the food becomes localised in the skin and its appendages, the thyroid and mammary glands, the brain and the bones, and it is stated to be the exciting element of the functions of sensation and reproduction just as phosphorus is the exciting element of the functions of cellular nutrition.

Some of the giant Sequoias of Southern California are estimated to be from 5,000 to 8,000 years old, having perhaps spanned the entire period of written history. A section in the American Museum of Natural History was cut from one of these trees at a height of 20 feet, is a little more than 18 feet in diameter, and its concentric rings show that it began its growth in 550 A.D., the tree reaching a diameter of 13 feet at Columbus' landing.

"Nieves penitentes," slightly inclined snow columns resembling shrouded figures doing penance, are a peculiar phenomenon of the Andes to which Sir M. Conway, has given attention. They are the last remnants of drifts or slides which have become hardened in nearly vertical strata of different densities.

Various drugs are enumerated by Dr. Schweinitz as liable to produce forms of amblyopia, or weakness of vision. Quinine in moderate doses may cause dimness of sight lasting for several hours, and in large doses it may give rise to sudden and almost complete blindness persisting for some days. Similar effects upon vision and the retina are produced by the salicylates and by acetanilid. Weak sight is caused by ordinary alcohol, and in a more severe form by wood alcohol, two drams of the latter having been known to produce blindness, while in ninety per cent. of the cases the injury is permanent. Iodoform, either absorbed from dressings or taken internally, sometimes affects the vision. Strong tobacco is very liable to cause the sight to fail after some years, and blindness may be hastened by alcoholic intemperance. Anabaptia is sometimes due to substances used in certain occupations. Workers in lead and rubber become gradually affected from the fumes of lead and of carbon disulphide; hat-makers suffer through the vapour of wood alcohol used in the varnish; and employees in chemical factories have their vision impaired by the fumes of artificial essences of almonds—or nitro- or dinitro-benzene.

It has been known for some years that ants see in the ultra-violet rays a colour unknown to human eyes, and it is suggested that the presence of this colour alone and in mixtures, doubtless transforms the whole aspect of nature. Other animals perceive vibrations that do not affect our ears, thus hearing sounds and melodies to which we are deaf. It is in the sense of smell, however, that many creatures surpass us, and this sense, so strikingly developed in dogs and some other mammals, is the most extraordinary endowment of insects. A female gypsy moth is known to attract males from a mile away. Males of other moths have found females at a distance of several miles, and when some females were enclosed in boxes in a glass building, the subtle odour—confined and masked by thousands of other odours—soon drew male moths from afar.

The problem of travel by balloon at sea has been studied by M. Henri Hervé since 1896, his experiments—begun in the North Sea—being now carried on in the Mediterranean. His balloon is provided with a conical top to avoid flattening by showers, and instead of a single guide-rope a system is used consisting of a trailer floating at the end of a long rope behind the balloon and a balance-weight hanging in the water by a nearly vertical and shorter rope. Two deviators are employed for clamping the balloon's course through the action of the water, one giving change of about 30 deg. while the other is claimed to produce deflections as great as 70 deg. or 80 deg. Water is used for ballast, and is drawn as needed through a suction hose into a cylindrical reservoir hung above the balance-weight.

The influence on health of various metals used in the household, especially in contact with food, has been the subject of a German report by Prof. Lehmann. Lead and lead preparations are found to be positively injurious and dangerous; household poisoning by mercury is too rare for notice; and copper, zinc and tin are but slightly poisonous—less so than is often supposed. Silver, aluminium, iron, and nickel may be regarded as completely harmless.

Reviving an old question, Dr. G. Leighton shows that there is no anatomical reason why adults should not swallow their young. An adder's gullet is quite capable of containing a field-mouse, and as frogs are known to live for a considerable time after being swallowed by snakes, it seems quite possible that young adders should be swallowed by their parent without being killed. The phenomenon is

improbable, however, until proved by certain evidence.

Considering the dissociation of matter, M. Gustave le Bon concludes that kathode rays, X-rays and all radio-activity are aspects of a new form of energy as common in nature as electricity or heat. A better acquaintance with the phenomena may show a connecting link between matter and energy.

LIFE'S HAPPIEST PERIOD.

When an ancient Greek philosopher was asked which he considered was the happiest time in a man's life, he promptly selected the period between the ages of forty and forty-five. On being pressed for the reasons which induced him to make this selection, the philosopher added: "At forty a man, if he be intelligent, has lost his illusions, and looks upon the world as it is, not as he would like it to be. He is still young enough to partake of the pleasures of youth, yet has sufficient experience never to permit his heart to rule his head; is moderate in all things, and wisely shy of hazardous enterprises." On being further asked which he considered the happiest time in a woman's life, the philosopher paused a long while, and when at last he replied he professed his answer by asserting that this was the more difficult question of the two. Finally he said: "When she is too old to be called a girl, and not old enough to be called a woman without the word 'young' prefixed to it. I am unable to be more definite, for the differences among women are greater than the differences among men. The healthy young woman sees only the brightest side of life, and to her vision the future is filled with golden possibilities of which the mental anticipation is delightful."

In this pronouncement it will be noted that the wise old Greek uses the word "healthy" in a qualifying sense. Omit that word and the sentences at once lose more than half their truth. Here is a case which will prove our statement. "From the age of nineteen until I completed my twenty-third year, I did not know what it was to be well for a single day," writes Mrs. R. Huntley, of 65, Ulm Road, Ultimo, Sydney, N.S.W., under date 19th June, 1902. "But for Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup it is doubtful if I should be here to-day to describe my experiences. My ailment was chronic biliousness and dyspepsia. Words are inadequate to convey a conception of my sufferings during that miserable period. I was then a tailor's machinist, employed in the capacity by Messrs. Godfray & Smith, of the Royal Arcade, Sydney. Ordinary food was poison to me, and I was obliged to exist on soda-water, milk, plain biscuits, and dry toast. Even that fare would sometimes distress me to an intolerable degree. My skin turned sallow, my eyes sank and were surrounded by dark, hollow circles. I slept only by fits and starts, my slumbers being haunted and harassed by horrible dreams and nightmares. There was a dull continuous pain between my shoulders and in my right side. I grew thinner and thinner, until I was reduced to mere skin and bone, and became so weak that I could hardly walk to my place of business. Often the noise of my sewing-machine, and the close air of the work-room, would bring on a splitting headache that maddened me. The three worst fits of retching and vomiting, which troubled me with great frequency. When there was nothing in the stomach to come up, I would retch and strain until I became exhausted and faint, when my workmates would improvise a couch for me with their cloaks and jackets, and I would lie for hours unable to move. I was treated by three doctors; but I believe the medicines they prescribed irritated my stomach and did me more harm than good. After four years of misery I was persuaded to try what Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup could do for me, and within a few days began to mend at such a rate that everyone who knew me was amazed at the improvement in my condition. The vomiting ceased, the hue of health returned to my cheeks, my eyes brightened, and at the end of two months I was in every respect thoroughly cured."

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Hongkong, 9th February, 1903. [472]

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LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	GAUCUS	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PINGSUEY	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st March.
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MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SUNUKI MARU	Brit. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 28th inst., at 1 P.M.
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HAVRE & HAMBURG	HAMBURG	Ger. str.	—	Kirchner	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 7th April.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KONIGSBERG	Ger. str.	—	Mayer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st April.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	—	Schmidt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 5th May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SERBIA	Ger. str.	—	Brehmer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 19th May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAXONIA	Ger. str.	—	Jager	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On or about 24th inst.
HAVRE, COPENHAGEN & BALTIC PORTS	KOREA	Rus. str.	—	Pennitz	MELCHERS & CO.	About 3rd March.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	GHIRAITAR	Brit. str.	—	D. Morris	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 28th inst.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	SHIMOSA	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 28th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO	ARAB	Brit. str.	—	Gow	ARNDT, KANBERG & CO.	On 28th inst.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI	PAKIAN	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 28th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 28th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	ACHILLIS	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	IYO MARU	Jap. str.	—	C. H. Butler	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 24th inst., at 4 P.M.
PORTLAND, OREGON	SHAWMUT	Brit. str.	—	W. M. Smith	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	On 25th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	INDRAPURA	Brit. str.	2 m.	Hollingsworth	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	On 28th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	KASUGA MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Fraser	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	EMPIRE	Brit. str.	2 m.	McArthur	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 28th inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 5th March, at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	CANDIA	Brit. str.	—	E. G. Andrews	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 11th March.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	NANKIN	Brit. str.	—	Montford	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 24th inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	BOMBAY MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Marai	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 24th inst., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	—	W. Bainbridge	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at Daylight.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	SAVOIA	Ger. str.	—	Kebblmund	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 5th March, at Daylight.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 16th March.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	KUHANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	E. W. Haswell	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	NANCHANG	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	WHAMPOA	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	HAMBURG	Ger. str.	—	E. Barmeister	MELCHERS & CO.	On or about 22nd inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	EMPEROR SIMONS	Fren. str.	—	Dupuy Fromy	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 22nd inst., at Daylight.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	L'ONGMOON	Ger. str.	—	Schulz	STRESEN & CO.	About 28th inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	VALETTA	Brit. str.	—	W. B. Palmer, R.N.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 16th March, at Daylight.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	SULLBERG	Ger. str.	—	Meyer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 22nd inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	DAIJI MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	T. W. Groves	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 25th inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	ASAKI MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	I. Goto	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 25th inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	MAIZURU MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	T. Saito	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 4th March.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	SHANTUNG	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	THALES	Brit. str.	2 m.	Robson	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	On 28th inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	HA LOONG	Brit. str.	—	Gibson	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	On 28th inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	2 m.	H. Ridgway	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 28th inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	YUENSANG	Brit. str.	—	Relfe	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 28th inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	KUKIANG	Brit. str.	—	E. P. Bishop	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	ROHILA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 27th inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	UNGIANG	Brit. str.	—	E. W. Almond	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	RUBI	Brit. str.	—	H. Fraser	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 27th inst., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	KASUGA MARU	Jap. str.	—	Geo. Payne	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 24th inst., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	—	K. Kori	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	NAMANG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 24th inst., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, &c.	KAGOSHIMA MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 24th inst., at Noon.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
Feb. 18, JANKIN, British str., 3959, S. M. Mont & Co., Singapore 11th.
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VESSELS ON THE BERTH

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"THALES."

Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above

port TO-DAY, the 20th inst., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [56]

M.S. DOLLAR STEAMSHIP COMPANY

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Company's Steamship

"ARAB."

Captain Gow, will be despatched as above

TO-DAY, the 20th inst., at 5 P.M.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for

First-class Passengers, and is fitted throughout

with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

ARNOLD, KAMBERG & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1903. [549]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG."

Captain Relfe, will be despatched as above

TO-MORROW, the 1st inst., at 3 P.M.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for

First-class Passengers, and is fitted throughout

with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1903. [556]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIOGO

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THE Imperial German Mail Steamship

"HAMBURG."

OF THE HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

Captain E. Barmeister, due here with the out-

ward German Mail about FRIDAY, the

20th inst., A.M., will leave for the above places

about 24 hours after arrival.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1903. [5]

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

SS. "WING CHAI."

Captain T. Austin, R.N.

Departure from Hongkong to

Macao at 2 P.M., Sunday included.

The Steamer stops running for one day—

TO-DAY (FRIDAY), the 20th inst.

1st Class fare (including cabin and servant),

\$3; return ticket, \$5.

2nd Class, \$1.50; return ticket, \$2.50.

3rd Class, \$1.

Superior cabin accommodation.

Wharf is Hongkong, opposite Central

Market; at Macao, C. M. S. N. Company's

Wharf.

For Freight, &c., apply to—

S. M. WANG & CO., LTD.,

81, Queen Road Central.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1903. [382]

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
MOJI AND KOBE	NANKIN	21st	Freight only.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI	Montford	Feb. 21st	Freight only.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI	CANDIA	About 24th	Freight only.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI	E. G. Andrews	February	Freight only.
LONDON, &c.	BENGAL	Neon, 28th	See Special
SHANGHAI	A. L. Valentini	February	Advertisement.
SHANGHAI	VALETTA	About 28th	Freight or
SHANGHAI	W. B. Palmer, R.N.	February	Passage.
LONDON AND ANTWERP, VIA	BANCA	Neon, 4th	Freight only.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, &c.	E. P. Martin, R.N.	March	Freight only.
COLOMBO, PORT SAID and	—	—	—
MARSEILLES	—	—	—

PASSENGER SEASON 1903.

FOR MARSEILLES, PLYMOUTH

AND LONDON DIRECT

WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1903. [1]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S

ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA

AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND

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SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

"Empress" Twin Screw Steamships—5,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots.

SAVING THREE TO SEVEN DAYS ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

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R.M.S. "TARTAR" 4,425 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 25th Feb.

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF JAPAN" 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 11th Mar.

R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" 3,882 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 18th Mar.

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF CHINA" 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 1st Apr.

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF INDIA" 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 22nd Apr.

R.M.S. "TARTAR" 4,425 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 6th May

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF JAPAN" 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 13th May

R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" 3,882 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 27th May

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF CHINA" 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 3rd June

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF INDIA" 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 24th June

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF JAPAN" 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 15th July.

THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW "EMPEROR" STEAMSHIPS of this Line pass through

the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA

TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS ("TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" 14 DAYS), saving

THREE DAYS TO A WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey and make connection at Vancouver

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WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York

and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are

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Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return

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OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LD. AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD. JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL AND FOR CONTINENT.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NESTOR"	On 20th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 23rd February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KINTUCK"	On 25th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 4th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PINGSUET"	On 11th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OANFA"	On 21st March.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON VIA GENOA	"DIOMED"	On 7th March.
LONDON	"MACHAON"	On 17th March.
LONDON	"GLAUCUS"	On 31st March.
LONDON	"PINGSUET"	On 14th April.
LONDON	"JASON"	On 28th April.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LIVERPOOL	"DAWDANS"	On 21st February.
LIVERPOOL VIA GENOA	"KINTUCK"	On 20th March.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES and ANTWERP	"PYRMIUS"	On 28th February.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via Kobe and YOKOHAMA	"ACHILLES"	On 24th February.

The S.S. "NESTOR" left Singapore on the 14th inst., and is due here on the 20th inst.
The S.S. "ACHILLES" left Singapore on the 17th inst., a.m., and is due here on the 23rd inst.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.
Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [10-12]

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMOI	"DEWAWONGSE"	On 20th February.
SHANGHAI	"WHAMPOA"	On 21st February.
TIENTSIN	"NANCHANG"	On 23rd February.
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"KIUKIANG"	On 24th February.
FOOCHOW	"PAKHOI"	On 26th February.
MANILA	"SUNGKIANG"	On 27th February.
AMOI, SAMARANG and SOERABAYA	"SHANTUNG"	On 6th March.
MANILA	"CHANGSHA"	On 11th March.
THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRIS- BANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	On 16th March.

The S.S. "SUNGKIANG" left Manila on the 18th inst., at 6 p.m., and is expected to arrive here on the morning of the 21st inst.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.
Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.
Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.
REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.
For Freight or Passage, apply to—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.
Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [11]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA (THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS	SAILING DATES
SANUKI MARU	MARSHALLS, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE	SATURDAY, 21st Feb. at DAYLIGHT.
KAGOSHIMA MARU	BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	TUESDAY, 24th Feb. at NOON.
BOMBAY MARU	MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 24th Feb. at NOON.
IYO MARU	VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, U.S.A., via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 24th Feb. at 4 p.m.
INABA MARU	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 27th Feb. at DAYLIGHT.
KUMANO MARU	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 27th Feb. at NOON.
KASUGA MARU	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	FRIDAY, 27th Feb. at 4 p.m.

Through Passenger Tickets issued to the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers Road-the World Tickets also issued. Between Moji and Kobe, 1st and 2nd Class through Passengers have the option of travelling by the Sanyo Railway.
For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Building First Floor, Charter Road.
A. S. MIHARA, Manager. [9]

HONGKONG-MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon midships. Electric Light. Perfect Cuisine. Surgeon carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila Direct	On 20th Feb. at Noon.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila Direct	On 27th Feb. at Noon.
DIAMANTE	1880	A. H. Nottley		
PERLA	1880	J. McGinty		

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.
Hongkong, 14th February, 1903. [17]

THE RUSSIAN EAST ASIATIC COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR HAVRE, COPENHAGEN AND
BALTIC PORTS.
THE Russian Steamer
"KOREA"
Captain Pernitz will leave for the above ports
on or about the 24th inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 7th February, 1903. [456]

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.
THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS
in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line
are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS
OF LADING for all the principal ports in
South Africa, in connection with INDO-
CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly
service hence to CAIRO. Sailings from
CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.
For Freight and further particulars,
apply to
DODWELL & CO. LIMITED,
General Agents for China and Japan.
Hongkong, 4th August, 1897. [8]

TOYO KISEN KAISHA MANILA LINE.

Large and Fastest Steamers on the route. Excellent Accommodation. Cuisine Unexcelled. Unrivalled Speed. Fitted throughout with Electric Light. Doctor and Stewards carried.

Steamship	Captain	Tons	Sailing Date
ROHILLA MARU	E. P. Bishop	3889	Tuesday, 24th February, at Noon.
ROSETTA MARU	N. Tate	3876	Tuesday, 3rd March, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3, Queen's Building, Ice House Street.
Hongkong, 20th February, 1903.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

FOR SHANGHAI.
(Taking Cargo at through rates to TSINGTAU, CHINKIANG and HANKOW.)
THE Steamship
"LOONGMOON."

Captain Schult, will be despatched for the above port on SUNDAY, the 22nd inst., at DAYLIGHT.
This Steamer has superior accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1903. [551]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND
YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship
"ERNEST SIMONS."
Captain Dupuy Fromy, will be despatched for the above ports on or about SUNDAY, the 22nd inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1903. [2]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT,
MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN
AND BLACK SEA PORTS.
LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX.

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON MONDAY, the 23rd February, 1903, at 1 p.m., the Company's Steamship "OCEANIC," Captain Guignes, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, via BOMBAY.
This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the s.s. "Australia," which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails, leaving that port on the 7th inst. direct to Suez, Port Said and Marseilles.
Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.
Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m., on the 22nd February. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required.
For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 11th February, 1903. [2]

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship
"GIBRALTAR."

Captain D. Morris, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 24th inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1903. [479]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship
"NAMSANG."

Captain Geo. Paye, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 24th inst., at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
J. A. M. TAYLOR & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1903. [558]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP,
via GENOA.

THE Steamship
"L. NGYLE."

Captain T. Darke, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 25th inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
McG EOR BROS. & GOW,
Hongkong, 5th February, 1903. [433]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM- SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at Port Darwin and QUEENSLAND
PORTS, and taking cargo direct to ADE-
LAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)
THE Steamship
"EMPIRE."

Captain McArthur, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 5th inst., at NOON.
This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a refrigerating chamber, which ensures the supply of fresh provisions, ice, &c., throughout the voyage.
The Steamer is installed throughout with the electric light.
A stewardess and a duly qualified surgeon are carried.
N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passenger, the Steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1903. [447]

REGULAR SERVICE BETWEEN HONGKONG AND MANILA IN 48 HOURS.

THE COMPANY'S JAPANESE MAIL STEAMSHIP

"KASUGA MARU,"
3,600 Tons, Captain H. Fraser, will be despatched for the above port on FRIDAY, the 27th inst., at 4 p.m.
This well-known Steamer is specially constructed for the service in the Tropics, and is provided with superior accommodation and with all modern fittings and improvements for the safety and comfort of Passengers. Electric Light and Refrigerator. Doctor and Stewards carried.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.
Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [568]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON. THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship
"BENGAL."

Captain A. L. Valentine, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Port for Bombay, on SATURDAY, the 28th February, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.
Silk and Valuables, all cargo for London, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay with transhipment.
Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.
Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's bills of Lading.
For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1903. [1]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

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PORTS).
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
1903.

"SHIMOSA" ... About 3rd March.
"THORDIS" ... 15th March.
For Freight and further information, apply to
DODWELL & CO. LD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [549]

FOR KOBE, NAGASAKI AND VLADIVOSTOCK.

THE Steamship
"SAVOIA."

Captain Reibellmund, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 5th March, at DAYLIGHT.
This Steamer has superior accommodation for First Class Passengers and carries a Doctor.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [559]

FOR SHANGHAI, DALNY AND PORT ARTHUR.

THE Steamship
"SULLBERG."

Captain Meyer, will be despatched for the above ports on SUNDAY, the 15th March, at DAYLIGHT.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [560]

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QUALIFIED SURGEON CARRIED.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE AGENTS.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1903. [280]

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No. 1, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.
Estimates, Designs & Prices on Application.
All descriptions of Granite for Export.
Hongkong, 17th October, 1899. [286]

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PRESS" will be as follows:—
PER QUARTER ... \$9
PER MONTH ... \$3
ALFRED CUNNINGHAM,
Manager.
Hongkong, 9th December, 1902. [3302]

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NEITHER THE CAPTAIN, the AGENTS, nor
the OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE
for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or
the Crew of the following Vessels during their
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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEE.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer
"BENGAL."

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark,
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.
This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, &c., ex s.s. "Oceana."
From Persian Gulf, ex B. I. S. N. and
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Optional goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary before
2 p.m. TO-DAY, 13th inst.
Goods not cleared by the 20th inst., at 4 p.m.,
will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.
Damaged packages must be left in the Go-
downs for examination by the Consignee, and
the Company's representative at a point of
hour. All Claims must be presented within
ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after
which date they cannot be recognised. No
Claims will be admitted after the Goods have
left the Godowns.
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 13th February, 1903. [1]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer
"MACHAON"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being
discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the
Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., in both cases it
will be at Consignee's risk. The Cargo will be
ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on
and after the 14th instant.
Optional Cargo will be landed, unless notice
has been given prior to steamer's arrival.
Goods undelivered after the 21st instant
will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods
must be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined at 11 a.m. on the 21st instant.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 13th February, 1903. [1]

FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN, ROTTER- DAM, ANTIWERP, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE N.D.L. Steamship
"BAMBERG."

Captain Kitchner, having arrived from the
above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
requested to send in their Bills of Lading for
counter-signature by the Undersigned and to
take immediate delivery of their Goods from
aloftside.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before Noon
TO-DAY, 13th inst.
Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be
landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company,
Limited, and stored at Consignee's risk and
expense.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 20th inst. will be subject
to rent.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 20th inst., at 3 p.m.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.
Hongkong, 13th February, 1903. [517]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENALDER"
FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND
STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed
that all Goods are being landed at
their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.,
whence and/or from the wharves delivery may
be obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods undeliver-
ed after the 22nd inst. will be subject to rent.
All Claims against the steamer must be
presented to the Undersigned on or before the
1st prox., or they will not be recognised.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 22nd inst., at 11 a.m.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 14th February, 1903. [545]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship
"NAMSANG"

having arrived from the above ports. Con-
signees of Cargo by her are hereby informed
that their Goods will be delivered from along-
side.
Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining
on board after 4 p.m. on the 14th inst., will
be landed at Consignee's risk and expense into
Godowns at EAST POINT.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1903. [53]

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